belief states

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┌──────────────────────────┐        ┌──────────────────────────┐
│  Network Traffic Sensor  │ ──────▶│ Network Resource Sensor  │
│                          │◀────── │                          │
└──────────────────────────┘        └──────────────────────────┘
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alerts

alerts

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        │   System Operator    │
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FIGURE 1

Receive at a first sensor the belief state of another sensor in the intrusion detection system.

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Adjust a prior belief state of the first sensor, the adjustment based at least in part on the other sensor's belief state.

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FIGURE 2

belief states

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alerts

alerts

Alert Fusion

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alert classes

System Operator

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FIGURE 3

Identify a set of potentially similar features shared by a new alert and one or more existing alert classes.   401

Generate or update an expectation of similarity between the features of the new alert and the features of one or more existing alert classes.   403

Generate or update a minimum similarity requirement for the features of the new alert and the features of one or more existing alert classes   404

Perform a comparison between the new alert and the existing alert class(es).   405

or

Associate the new alert with the existing alert class that it most closely matches.   407

Define a new alert class to include the new alert.   409

FIGURE 4

	INVALID	PRIVILEGE_VIOLATION	USER_SUBVERSION	DENIAL_OF_SERVICE	PROBE	ACCESS_VIOLATION	INTEGRITY_VIOLATION	SYSTEM_ENV_CORRUPTION	USER_ENV_CORRUPTION	ASSET_DISTRESS	SUSPICIOUS_USAGE	CONNECTION_VIOLATION	BINARY_SUBVERSION	ACTION_LOGGED
INVALID	1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.6
PRIVILEGE_VIOLATION	0.3	1	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
USER_SUBVERSION	0.3	0.6	1	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
DENIAL_OF_SERVICE	0.3	0.3	0.3	1	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
PROBE	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	1	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.3	0.6
ACCESS_VIOLATION	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.6	1	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
INTEGRITY_VIOLATION	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.8	1	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
SYSTEM_ENV_CORRUPTION	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	1	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
USER_ENV_CORRUPTION	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	1	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
ASSET_DISTRESS	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	1	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.6
SUSPICIOUS_USAGE	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.3	1	0.1	0.3	0.6
CONNECTION_VIOLATION	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.4	1	0.3	0.6
BINARY_SUBVERSION	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.1	1	0.6
ACTION_LOGGED	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	1

Figure 5

EMERALD

Observer Name: ISS RealSecure
Observer Location: ntbox.emerald.sri.com
Observer Source: realtime
Local Host Time: 01/02/01 13:03:52 PST

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Alert List
Unviewed alerts 1037
Viewable alerts 1038
Hidden alerts 0
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FTP_USER ☺	12/08 15:04	☐
FTP_USER ☺	12/08 15:04	☐
FTP_USER ☺	12/08 15:04	☐
FTP_USER ☺	12/08 15:04	☐
FTP_USER ☺	12/08 15:04	☐
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FTP_USER ☺	12/08 15:04	☐

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Attack Summary FTP_USER: FTP user command executed
Date 12/08/00 15:04:43 PST End Time: 12/08/00 15:04:43 PST
Class Action Logged   Count 1   Updates 0
Target owl.emerald.sri.com
Source 192.168.1.151   Username

Other Details
Incident class: Action Logged signature: FTP_USER
Alert model confidence: 70
Source TCP port 47925
Source UDP port 47925
Target TCP port 21
Target UDP port 21

Recommendation

Administrator Notes

Acknowledgements: DARPA ITO, ISO

Figure 6

EMERALD

Observer Name: eaggregate
Observer Location: hillsdale.csl.sri.com
Observer Source: realtime
Local Host Time: 01/02/01 13:09:13 PST

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Alert List
Unviewed alerts   63
Viewable alerts   64
Hidden alerts   0
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FTP_STOR ☺ 12/08 15:04	☐
BAD_CONNECT ☺ 12/08 15:03	☐
FTP_STOR ☺ 12/08 15:02	☐
☺	
BAD_CONNECT ☺ 12/08 15:03	☐
BAD_CONNECT ☺ 12/08 15:03	☐
BAD_CONNECT ☺ 12/08 15:03	☑
BAD_CONNECT ☺ 12/08 15:03	☐
BAD_CONNECT ☺ 12/08 15:03	☐
SYN_FLOOD ☺ 12/08 15:01	☐

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Attack Summary   IP_SWEEP: Fused: TCP_ADDR_SWEEP

Date 12/08/00 15:02:50 PST End Time: 12/08/00 15:02:50 PST

Class Probe   **Count** 61   **Updates** 1

Target 130.107.12.2

Source 192.168.1.4   **Username**

Other Details

Incident class: Probe signature: TCP_ADDR_SWEEP
Alert model confidence: 100 anomaly score: 0
Target addresses: 130.107.12.2, 130.107.12.3, 130.107.12.4, 130.107.12.5,
130.107.12.6, 130.107.12.7, 130.107.12.8, 130.107.12.9, 130.107.12.10,
130.107.12.11, 130.107.12.12, 130.107.12.13, 130.107.12.14, 130.107.12.15,
130.107.12.16, 130.107.12.17, 130.107.12.18, 130.107.12.19, 130.107.12.20

Recommendation

Confidence level 100% that an attack was mounted from IP address 192.168.1.4
Directives:
targeted 130.107.12.2/23 130.107.12.3/23 130.107.12.4/23 130.107.12.5/23
130.107.12.6/23 130.107.12.7/23 130.107.12.8/23 130.107.12.9/23
130.107.12.10/23 130.107.12.11/23 130.107.12.12/23 130.107.12.13/23

Administrator Notes

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Figure 7

File View Tools Advanced   Help

EMERALD

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Observer Name: eaggregate
Observer Location: hillsdale.csl.sri.com
Observer Source: realtime
Local Host Time: 01/02/01 14:55:15 PST

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Alert List
Unviewed alerts 28
Viewable alerts 31
Hidden alerts 0
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VULN_CGI ⊗ 12/08 14:58	☐
FTP_FSMOD ⊗ 12/08 14:58	☐
PORT_SCAN ⊗ 12/08 14:43	☐
BAD_CONNECT ⊗ 12/08 14:57	☐
IP_SWEEP ⊗ 12/08 14:57	☐
FTP_USER ⊗ 12/08 14:56	☐
FTP_USER ⊗ 12/08 14:56	☐
FTP_USER ⊗ 12/08 14:56	☐
FTP_USER ⊗ 12/08 14:56	☐

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Attack Summary BUFF_OVER: Fused: BUFFER_OVERFLOW->IMAP_OVERFLOW
Date 12/08/00 14:58:51 PST End Time: 12/08/00 14:59:03 PST
Class Privilege Violation   **Count** 1   **Updates** 1
Target tigger.emerald.sri.com
Source 192.168.1.253   **Username**

Other Details
Observer IP_protocols
Outcome Generic   Unknown
Correlatedthread ID: 4189540000observer ID: 2
Correlatedthread ID: 0observer ID: 0
Alert thread ID: 20 report ID: 329
Observer Type Other ID: 10387 Version 1 Stream ALERT

Recommendation
Filter or isolate traffic stream from attacker 192.168.1.253 to victim 130.107.12.40.
Directives:
 FILTER 192.168.1.253

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Acknowledgements: DARPA ITO, ISO

Figure 8

Figure 9